

24 October 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR GENERAL WILLOUGHBY

SUBJECT: First Meeting of Technical Intelligence Coordinating Board.

1. At 1430, 23 October, a meeting was held in Room 423, GHQ, for the purpose of coordinating the intelligence activities of the various intelligence agencies operating in Japan and the portion of Korea occupied by U. S. forces. Forty officers attended. (See Inclosure 1.)

2. Colonel Wood opened the meeting and explained the general procedure which will be followed in accordance with the provisions of General Order No. 9, this Hq, 2 October 1945.

3. Colonel Mashbir (TIS described the procedure which will be followed by all agencies in the handling of documents, and the way in which TIS personnel will be allocated to various agencies to assist them in their work. Colonel Marland (Washington Document Center, Adv) described the part that his organization, both in Tokyo and Washington, would have in the translating of Japanese documents of intelligence value.

4. Lt. Col. Tait and Major Klima, chief of the Technical Intelligence Teams operating in the XI Corps area, described procedures which had been found useful in obtaining technical information from Japanese officers and scientists.

5. A number of points were raised by representatives of the various agencies and staff sections present. In most cases, these points were clarified by discussion on the spot; the following points, however, could not be determined at the meeting, and Colonel Wood undertook to obtain decisions on them from higher authority within 48 hours:

a. Since for various reasons it seemed impossible that the deadline for the collection and listing of all Japanese weapons and equipment (31 October) could be met, it was suggested that this deadline be postponed.

- (1) Recommendation: That the necessary steps be taken, with the cooperation of G-4, to amend Occupation Orders Nos. 1 and 2, so as to postpone the deadline.

b. A policy should be established to cover the seizing of documents in the possession of private individuals. Such documents, usually covering uncompleted experiments having to do with material or procedure connected with the Japanese war effort, are sometimes found in the private files of civilian scientists.

- (1) Recommendation: Since these documents in all cases are connected in some way with the Japanese war effort, it is recommended that they be considered the property of the Japanese Government, and thus liable

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to seizure without formality. In the event that they are found to contain items of only private interest, they may be returned to the original owner.

c. A policy would be established to cover the procedure to be followed to obtain technical and scientific apparatus, deemed essential, by responsible headquarters, for the investigation of the Japanese potential for war and which is not now available in military installations but may be found in the hands of civilian firms or manufacturers.

- (1) Recommendation: That articles of this type may, after the approval of the A. C. of S., G-2, these Hqs, has been secured, be seized, proper receipt to be furnished by seizing agency. Any compensation can be made the subject of future negotiation by proper authority.

d. A policy should be established to cover the taking over of documents not of immediate intelligence value, which may, however, serve as valuable background material for future studies of Japanese potentials.

- (1) Recommendation: Recommend that such classes of documents be taken over when so recommended by the Washington Document Center (Adv).

5. In closing, Colonel Wood thanked the representatives of the several agencies and staff sections present whose work was not directly connected with the obtaining of technical intelligence. He pointed out that they had been asked to attend so that they would be informed of the general trend of the investigations now under way or about to be undertaken, and not with any idea of dictating a procedure to be followed on their part.

1 Incl: Conference Register.

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First Meeting of Technical Intelligence Coordinating Board
 WDIT Section, G-2 GHQ, Room 423, DAI ICHI Building
 1430, Tuesday, 23 October 1945

1. F. W. HEIN, Col, GSC	Exec O, G-2 Sec, Hq Sixth Army
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3. S. P. MARLAND, JR., Col, MIS	Chief, Washington Document Center (Adv)
4. LEO REIERSTAD, Lt Cmdr, USNR	CNO, Washington, D.C.
5. WILLIAM M. STREMLAU, Maj, Inf	W.D.C., MIS, Washington
6. OTTO G. GRAF, 1st Lt, Inf	W.D.C., MIS, Washington
7. W. M. HENKELMAN, Maj, CAC	G-2 Sec, Hq Eighth Army
8. S. P. AHLBUM, Lt, USNR	G-2, USSBS
9. O. G. KREISER, Lt Col	Ord Office, GHQ
10. C. R. CLINE, Major	Ord Office, GHQ
11. A. D. BOSSON, Major	Ord Office, GHQ
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15. C. A. McVITTIE, Lt Col	G-2, AFPAC
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19. L. C. SMITH, Maj	ATIG
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21. M. V. BUCHANAN, Col	Statistical & Reports Section
22. J. V. KLIMA, Maj	Ord Tech Intel Team, XI Corps
23. H. A. COTTON, JR., Lt Col	Chief Surgeon's Office
24. CHARLES L. LACKER, Maj, MAC	Chief Surgeon's Office
25. JOHN E. BEEBE, JR., Maj, CWS	Chief Chem O, AFPAC
26. A. MARKSON, Lt Col, QMC	Chief Quartermaster
27. EDWARD L. MORELAND	Scientific Intelligence Survey
28. WILLIAM E. PARDOE, Captain	FEAF, A-2
29. HOWARD T. McDEVERS, Capt, AC	FEAF, A-2
30. J. W. WEAVER, Col, MC	Public Health & welfare Sec
31. SEYMOUR DRIBBEN, Lt Cmdr, USNR	U. S. Strategic Bombing Survey
32. HAROLD DOUD, Col, SC	ATIS
33. H. L. HAEHL, JR., Lt Cmdr, USNR	SCAJAP
34. PEYTON HARRISON, Capt, USNR	NavTechJap
35. ALLAN L. DUNNING, Capt, USN	NavTechJap
36. IRVIN TRAVIS, Cmdr, USNR	NavTechJap
37. WINTHROP S. PIKE, Capt, Sig C	Office of Chief Sig O, GHQ
38. M. M. GOODSILL, Lt Cmdr	Government Section
39. ROBERT M. BEATTY, Capt, AC	Natural Resources Section
40. M. R. STONE, Captain, USN	NavTechJap

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